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### Bright Prospects for Wells

The delegates from this end of the riding, who attended the Liberal convention at Golden last week, were most agreeably surprised to find at every point along the road—for the full 80 miles—the people were almost to a man enthusiastically supporting Mr. Wells and his policy, particularly his proposed aid to the K. C. R.

At Sinclair J. L. McKay regretted he could not attend the convention, but said he, "Take my proxy and put it in strong for Wells and the K. C. R." Harry Munson said: "You bet I am for Wells, and I will vote for him and do all I can to get others to do the same."

At Brisco a meeting had been held and a proxy was handed over with instructions to vote for Wells and the K. C. R.

A meeting was held at Galena and sent along three proxies with orders to make sure of the K. C. R. and the man who had always done his best for the ranchers.

At Carbonate W. H. Johnston and T. Bingham were the delegates appointed and said the K. C. R. had been held off long enough and they were going to Golden to do their best to have it rushed along and nominate the man who could do the most for the valley.

Many others were met on the road, and then, Alton expressed in the following the general feeling: "The present government has no policy and I want to see a party in power that has a policy. We want to see the railway built. We have been fooled with long enough and it is now time we had a change of some kind."

Wm. Colton and Robt. McKean were the only men met with who offered any opposition and they were out elbowing for the government.

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### GOLDEN ITEMS

The great I AM—William Wellington Lynes was in town, from Field, this week boosting up the weak-kneed Conservatives. But Billy cannot say Golden HAS to vote as he says.

The Conservative cannon, F. Staker, has been suffering from severe chills since the evening of the 9th.

Some local Conservatives have been suffering from a severe form of loss of voice. Result of straining their vocal cords in howling for a dead and gone party.

By Feb. 2nd there will not be a man in town who will answer to the name of Conservative.

A well known wholesale house has received a rush order for foot-warmers, as the Cons. are suffering badly from chilblains.

Bytheway, the government supporters in Golden are honest in one thing—they sign themselves—Conservatives.

Fred will certainly have to get his reward after the 2nd. He is a hard worker.

How about the man who has the Field vote in his pocket?

Bowser was rightly called the Bow-wow man when he was here.

The Kootenay Central must be a sore point with McBride when he forgets that any such thing existed.

How about all the money the Conservatives had to bet on the election lately—where is it now?

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### GOLDEN STAR APOLOGIZES TO MR. BUCKHAM

The Golden Star in an article a column long abuses J. A. Buckham for the publication of his recent letter to The Outcrop, and finally winds up with the following apology:

"In publishing the names of the delegates there appeared the name of Burnham of Field and in putting the names of the delegates in type the printer mistook that of Burnham for Buckham and hence the mistake in names; and one that is not glaring when taken into account the almost similarity in names, and more particularly when the writing of the report at the convention was probably not too clear to the compositor."

Mr. Buckham states that when the Star first appeared giving his name as represented at the Conservative convention he asked the editor to correct the statement, but as the editor did not correct it he wrote The Outcrop, and leaves it with the public to judge if his protest was not justified.

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Wells is sure to win Feb. 2

Mrs. G. A. Starke left last Thursday for the Coast to consult a specialist, as her throat has been troubling her for sometime.

The Liberal party are sure of a good majority on Feb. 2

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WM.  
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### LAND NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situated in the North East Kootenay District: Commencing at a post placed on the east side of No. 3 creek, in the "Lacrosse Valley,"—2 about 3 miles southerly on said creek from Lot 2011 Group 1, "North East Corner," thence south 80 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 40 chains to point of commencement. Containing 320 acres more or less.

Dated this 6th day of November A.D. 1906.

By CHARLES P. MOORE,  
per Harry Ogilston, Agent.

### LAND NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situated in the North East Kootenay District: Commencing at a post placed about 40 chains east of east boundary of Block 253 thence 40 chains south thence 40 chains east, thence 40 chains north, thence 40 chains west to point of commencement.

Dated 22nd Oct. 1906.

H. A. WATSON,  
per J. L. McKay, Agent.

### NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situated in the North East Kootenay District: Commencing at a post placed about 50 chains east of U.P. R. Block 253, beside Wm. Thibault's south-west corner post; thence north 80 chains, east 40 chains, south 80 chains, west 40 chains to point of commencement.

Dated 28th of November, 1906.

12-15 C. McKEADY.



# THE OUTCROP CAMPAIGN EXTRA

## W. C. WELLS IS THE UNANIMOUS CHOICE OF THE LIBERAL CONVENTION

### *Liberal War Horse Nominated at the Biggest and Most Enthusiastic Convention Ever Held in this District*

The Liberal Convention held in Golden last Friday evening is acknowledged to have been the most successful meeting of the kind ever held in that place, as regards attendance, unity and enthusiasm, there being over 50 delegates in actual attendance.

Sharp on time Mr. Geo. E. Sanborn, president of the Golden Liberal Association, called the meeting to order, when W. P. Evans of Wilmer and Thos. King of Golden were respectively elected chairman and secretary of the convention. With a few brief remarks the chairman stated the objects of the convention, after which a motion was duly passed appointing Chas. Cartwright of Atholmer, T. Bingham of Carbonate and H. G. Gordon of Golden a committee on credentials and proxies. They at once took up their duties and in a brief time reported having found the following delegates entitled to vote and take part in the convention:

Golden.—G. E. Sanborn, M. Dainard, O. D. Hoar, J. W. Conner, T. H. Robson, J. Gibson, J. A. Buckham, H. G. Gordon, J. C. Tom, T. King, J. C. Green, J. M. Hattie, H. B. Moodie, O. Olberg, R. Gable, W. Rutherford, John Anderson, W. Sutherland, R. A. Stalker, H. Vashon, N. E. McAbee, W. Dainard, A. Erickson, John Otto, P. C. Campbell, Tony Pelligreno, Ang. Anderson, W. J. Gould, A. M. Langlands; by proxy W. J. Wright and C. Otto.

Windermere.—R. A. Kimpton; by proxy Capt. Thorald, C. D. Ellis, W. Stoddart and H. Grainger.

Fairmont.—S. Brewer by proxy. Thunder Hill.—W. S. Santo by proxy. Atholmer.—Jos. Lake and Chas. Cart-

wright; by proxy B. Morigean, E. Clark and E. T. Johnston.

Sinclair.—J. L. McKay by proxy.

Wilmer.—G. A. Starke and W. P. Evans; by proxy E. F. Rauch, G. M. Willard, G. Burt, J. Levac, Jas. McLeod, J. Lytle, M. McMillan, J. McCulloch, Dr. Elliot, H. Macdonald, J. McKinnon and W. C. Bennett.

Carbonate.—T. Bingham and W. H. Johnston.

Galena.—G. McMillan and R. H. Milligan by proxy.

Having read the foregoing names to the convention a hearty vote of thanks was tendered the committee for their services.

Then some discussion ensued resulting in a motion deciding that the voting for candidates be taken by ballot.

The chairman thereupon announced that the next order of business was the nomination of candidates to represent the Liberals of Columbia riding in the approaching election.

Immediately Mr. J. A. Buckham of Golden in a very neat and concise address moved the nomination of Mr. W. C. Wells, and found a ready seconder in Mr R. A. Kimpton of Windermere, who in a stirring speech of considerable length took the opportunity of pointing out the splendid work Mr. Wells had accomplished for this district in the past as our representative and alluded to the certainty of his election once more if the convention decided in his favor, which he believed they would do.

Mr. Moodie then moved to nominate Mr. Buckham, and Mr. Wells offered to second the motion if he might be allowed, stating that he regretted he was not

a qualified delegate. But Mr. Wells was denied this privilege by cries of "No! no!" "Out of order!" etc.

Mr. Moodie spoke for some minutes on the good qualities of Mr. Buckham and his rights to the nomination. But in the end failed to find a seconder.

The nomination of Mr. Wells being declared unanimous a perfect storm of applause followed, Mr. Wells being called to the platform amidst prolonged and deafening cheers.

After expressing his gratitude for the great honor conferred upon him as the choice of the convention Mr. Wells proceeded to say that it could in no sense be said of him that he had sought the Liberal candidature in the present contest, but on the contrary had done everything in his power to have the choice fall on Mr. Buckham or some other member of the party. The feeling had persistently come to him that he had already served his time and that there might be others whose aspirations should be encouraged and who in time might take their place in directing our public affairs.

Speaking for himself he owed a great deal to his constituents at whose hands he had several times been returned and as whose representative he had taken pride in being first as an ordinary member of the House and subsequently as a Minister of the Crown. It was indeed a great satisfaction that he now received at the hands of his friends this handsome testimonial, in being selected as their standard bearer once more, and he sincerely trusted that by no act or negligence on his part would he ever forget the confidence so unanimously reposed

in him.

There was, Mr. Wells considered, a greater degree of responsibility than ever resting upon him if returned, of which, however, he might say there was not the slightest doubt. In addition to the ordinary duties as a representative in securing a liberal share of the appropriations in the distribution of public monies, there was the question of railway construction through our valley paramount to all other things, and which at the present time was agitating the minds of the people. The settlers throughout the length and breadth of Columbia Valley had suffered long and patiently until their patience had ceased to be a virtue, and it would be incumbent upon him as their representative to demand from the government of the day such a measure of assistance as would put the Kootenay Central Railway Co. in a position, by such a guarantee of the interest on their bonds, as would enable it to proceed with the more immediate construction and completion of the road. With the present slow progress the company was making, Mr. Wells calculated it would take 18 years to finish the road but which with due vigor could be completed in so many months.

At the meeting held in Golden on Wednesday night by Mr. McBride one feature of it was painfully manifest, and that was, not one word or a single reference was made to the Kootenay Central—the reason being obvious, namely, that the McBride administration had been and was now opposed to any assistance.

How it was that his opponent, Mr. Parson, could consistently appear as the candidate and supporter of such a gov-

ernment he was at a loss to know, that is if he had at heart the progress and development of our valley. Politics, however, was of more importance to Mr. Parson apparently, but so far as he, Mr. Wells, was concerned he would stand or fall by his determination upon this railway question.

Up to the present time he had no opportunity of discussing this important question with Mr. Macdonald, his leader, but he had not the slightest doubt he would, so soon as called upon to administer our affairs, give the question of aid to the Kootenay Central the most favorable consideration, that is, if it meant the early completion of the railway.

Mr. Wells went fully into the merits of the company's claim for assistance, declaring in the most emphatic manner that he would stake his existence as a public man in supporting the Kootenay Central to an extent that would enable it to float their bonds, so that it might be in a comparatively independent position in completing their financial arrangements as well as terms with the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. for the construction of the road.

The present government had shown such an utter disregard of interest in this vital project as to forfeit our entire confidence, and the wonder to him, Mr. Wells said, was that there could be found those who were so blinded by party allegiance that they could not even see the utter hopelessness of supporting a government that had practically refused even to consider our cause.

The people had one means, however, in looking after their own interests and that was the exercise of their franchise,

A privilege in which they would not fail in their duty and that was in casting their votes on the 2nd of February they would hurl from power an incompetent and corrupt set of men, who had been for the past three years trifling with our most important interests.

Mr. Wells wished to remind his friends that in one sense there was nothing in politics for him, but on the other hand a great deal to lose, it being impossible for any one who had business interests to conserve to do so, without placing them secondary to the faithful discharge of representative duties. There was, however, in a larger sense a great deal in politics to him, and that was the confidence of the people, which he prized more than anything and which was the real incentive to undertaking the task before him, apart from the usefulness he might exert in serving the people of Columbia district for the next parliamentary term. If elected he would not for a moment lose sight of the important matters which concerned them, promising as in the past his faithful allegiance to their interests.

Mr. Wells took his seat with such an applause that could leave no doubt as to the appreciation of those present, who with one voice rang out their cheers with prolonged enthusiasm.

Mr. Sanborn was then called upon to speak in behalf of Golden Liberals and told of the good work they had already accomplished and showed how certain the continuation of this work would result in the election of Mr. Wells. He went on to show that Mr. Wells not only had the confidence of the electors of this riding but the full confidence and sup-

## The Convention

port of the Liberals throughout the province, and in this connection read the following extract from a letter written by Mr. J. A. Macdonald, the Liberal leader:

"I saw Mr. Wells at Vancouver on his way to Golden, and he told me that he did not desire to run again. I, however, pressed him very strongly to run, providing the Liberals in the constituency were anxious to have him stand, as I wanted to make sure there would be no doubt about winning Columbia riding."

Rousing speeches then followed by delegates from every point in the riding, all telling in a most impressive manner the certainty of victory for the candidate just nominated. Among the speakers being Jos. Lake, R. A. Kimpton, O. D. Hoar, T. Bingham, C. L. McCreedy, F. Anderson, P. C. Campbell, J. C. Green, N. Neeland, H. G. Gordon and others.

On suggestion of the chairman three rousing cheers were given Mr. Buckham, who had moved the nomination of Mr. Wells, in view of the fact that many of those present had urged him to allow his name to go before the convention as a candidate, but who had denied himself the honor his friends would confer upon him.

Mr. Buckham responded that it afforded him pleasure to be able to make the nomination of Mr. Wells unanimous and said he would go along with Mr. Wells to canvass the district in his behalf.

A vote of thanks was tendered the chairman and secretary and the meeting adjourned with cheers for the Liberal Leader and Mr. Wells.

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**Vote for Wells, who has always proved himself the working man's friend.**

The Liberal party are sure of a good majority on Feb. 2.

## MORE MISERY FOR MR. McBRIDE

### Extracts From J. A. Macdonald's Masterly Review of McBride's Policy

Then there was the Kaien island transaction. The great terminal town-site was a splendid asset. This asset belonged to the people. There was no other point having equal advantages; yet, by secret dealing with speculators, this great asset was turned over at the price of \$1 per acre. Mr. McBride said the land was poor, only third class, not good for crops. Hence the bargain was a good one. Wait till the lots are put on the market next summer and see what price British Columbians will have to pay for these third class lands—not fit for crops!

McBride said in an interview a year ago that he never had any doubt but that the G. T. P. would go to Kaien island; that the officials of that road considered it by far the best place. Why then did he give away three quarters of this splendid asset?

Yes, the province is indeed prosperous, and a province which can prosper notwithstanding spoliation such as the Kaien island deal, the Columbia & Western grant and other equally deplorable transactions, is one of which we should indeed be proud.

The premier had said that he did not deal with a band of adventurers in the Kaien island land sale; that he dealt, not with the Andersons and the Larsens, but with the G.T.P. direct. Well, it was astonishing to find that, weeks after the deal was said to have been closed the adventurers were found in Montreal selling to the G. T. P. people

their own lands—according to McBride—for the trifling advance of \$40,000. It had been stated that Mrs. Anderson's name had been unfairly dragged into the controversy, but that was not so; she had come into the story easily and naturally. Hon. R. F. Green had stated at the parliamentary investigation that the terms of this secret order in council which had been held back from the people's representatives, and the whole deal had been discussed by him with Mrs. Anderson on the street corners and, naturally, Mrs. Anderson became a party to the enquiry.

McBride and his remarkable following, having nothing to offer themselves, charge the opposition with having no policy. The charge is absurd. Just as the acts of the government constitute the policy of the government, so the record of the opposition in the house constitutes its policy so far as the measures introduced into the house gave scope to the opposition to express in a tangible way its views.

The government loan bill is declaration that the government believes in making the present generation pay for improvements to be enjoyed by future generations. The opposition's attitude on that bill declared its policy of making future generations bear their fair share of the cost of permanent improvements.

The conservatives declared their policy on the great question of the education of the young when they tamper-

ed with the public schools act in order to squeeze a little more in taxes from the ratepayer. The liberals declared their policy on that subject by a strenuous opposition to the bill and in pointing out that in addition to its viciousness in principle it is unworkable. A year's experience with the new act has borne out to the letter the liberal position. We said plainly: "Give us the old act with its principle of state education of children and not the new one with its inequality of taxation and unsuitability to conditions in B. C."

The McBride government declared its policy when it increased taxation and cut down the expenditures for roads, bridges and other public works absolutely necessary to expanding industries.

The opposition declared its policy when it said that increased taxation was not necessary, notwithstanding that the finances of the province were not in a satisfactory condition. We pointed out that with our lands, timber, minerals and other sources of revenue, taxes should be low and not high in B. C., and that in any case what was wanted was the collection of taxes from those who were dodging them, for instance, the C. P. R., on over three million acres of subsidy lands.

The better features of the government's timber legislation were forced upon it by the opposition and it was by the efforts of the opposition that it is now possible to ship manufactured poles to eastern markets.

Every constructive piece of legislation, and they are few indeed which, the government attempted, it failed in.

The school act was a lamentable failure—and the attempt to patch it up at the following session was little better.

The assessment act was so bad that a commission had to be appointed to find out what was the matter with it. The timber laws have been amended and re-amended, while one of the great essentials, the protection of the forests from

fire has been neglected—and this too in the face of repeated protests from the opposition.

The government's whole school legislation was so ordered as to increase the burden of the tax payer, quite unnecessarily. "Personally I believe that the state should see that children are educated free, but McBride's policy is to destroy free education. The government has thrown away, has refused to collect from the C. P. R. and the large ranching concerns, \$250,000 yearly in taxes, which if collected would have made it unnecessary to demand the increased taxation you have now."

Dealing with the question of "Better Terms," the speaker said McBride had been turned down not by Ottawa, but by the provincial premiers themselves, some of whom were conservatives. The question—better terms—should be kept out of party politics, and if a liberal government were returned, they would demand, and obtain, satisfactory better terms, where McBride had signally failed.

Turning to the question of eight hours for smeltermen, Mr. MacDonald told of his stand in the matter and how as a result smeltermen had obtained shorter hours, not only without a strike or lockout, but much sooner than they would have had had the Hawthornthwaite bill been passed when first introduced. He believed in industrial peace being maintained wherever possible and here the smeltermen had got relief without a protracted struggle. He would leave them to say if he had acted fairly and rightly or not.

Mr. MacDonald advocated a separate department of labor and immigration, pointing out what good work such a department could do under existing conditions. "I am opposed to the Orientalism that is sweeping over the province. I am against the Hindu. He can never assimilate with the dominating, with the only race that ought to be here

in B. C. We only want the best class of people, those who can take care of themselves and not those who have to be taken care of by the state."

The government should have parcelled out and surveyed the best of the public lands and have provided maps and the necessary information which is wanted by settlers and which, as all knew very well, could not now be got.

The question of better protection from forest fires should be taken up seriously, as should also be the question of irrigation. A commission should be appointed to go into the whole matter.

Mr. MacDonald closed with a request that his hearers make up their own minds, draw their own conclusions and mark their ballots on February 2nd accordingly.

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